

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates. The cable ownership

cap is a crucial element of our democratic media, and it should not be weakened.

As a taxpayer and as a citizen I believe very strongly that the multiplicity of opinions and perspectives available to us must be as great as possible. The vibrancy of our democracy depends on this.

Already too few media companies own too much of our public airwaves, limiting public discourse and effecting the quality of our politics. Furthering this trend is not in the public interest.

Please do not weaken further the safeguards designed to keep our public airwaves in the hands of the many as opposed to the few.